

**VANCOUVER SHADE GARDEN SOCIETY
COMPENDIUM OF SHADE PLANTS – JANUARY 2020**

LEGEND: 1 = Full shade; 2 = Part Shade; 3 = Full Sun

ANNUALS

Begonia Semperflorens (Wax Begonia)	(1-3)	Lobelia (all varieties)	(2)
Browallia (Amethyst Flower)	(2)	Mimulus (all varieties) (Monkey Flower)	(2-3)
Coleus hybridus (all varieties)	(1-3)	Myosotis sylvatica (Forget-Me-Not)	(2)
Fuchsia (all varieties)	(1-3)	Nicotiana alata (Flowering Tobacco)	(2-3)
Impatiens (all varieties)	(2-1)	Senecio hybridus (Cineraria)	(1)

FERNS

(generally 2 or 1 and very occasionally 3)

Adiantum hispidulum (Rough Maidenhair)		Polypodium polypodioides (Resurrection Fern)	
Adiantum pedatum (Maidenhair Fern)		Polystichum (Shield Fern), including	
Adiantum venustum		• Polystichum acrostichoides (Christmas Fern)	
Asplenium bulbiferum (Hens and Chicks Fern)		• Polystichum Andersonii (Anderson's Holly Fern)	
Asplenium Trichomanes (Maidenhair Spleenwort)		• Polystichum californicum (California Holly Fern)	
Athyrium Filix-femina (Lady Fern)		• Polystichum neolobatum (Long eared Holly Fern)	
Athyrium Goeringianum (Japanese Painted Fern)		• Polystichum polyblepharum (Japanese Tassel Fern)	
Athyrium nipponicum 'Ursula's Red'		• Polystichum setiferum 'Congestum cristatum' (Dwarf Crested Soft Shield Fern)	
Blechnum penna marina 'Cristatum'		• Polystichum setiferum 'Divisilobum'	
Blechnum Spicant (Deer Fern)		• Polystichum squarrosum	
Cyrtium falcatum (Japanese Holly Fern)		• Polystichum tsus-simense (Korean Rock Fern)	
Dennstaedtia punctilobula (Hay-scented Fern)		Pteris cretica (Cretan Brake)	
Dryopteris affinis 'Crispa gracilis' (Crisped Dwarf Male Fern)		Thelypteris, including	
Dropteris affinis 'Cristata the King'		• Thelypteris decursive-pinnata (Japanese Beech Fern)	
Dryopteris austriaca (Fancy Fern)		• Thelypteris hexagonoptera (Broad Beech Fern)	
Dryopteris erythrosora (Japanese Shield Fern)		• Thelypteris Phegopteris (Long Beech Fern)	
Dryopteris Filix-mas (Hard Male Fern)		• Thelypteris noveboracensis (New York Fern)	
Dryopteris marginalis (Marginal Shield Fern)		• Thelypteris palustris (Marsh Fern)	
Gymnocarpium Dryopteris (Oak Fern)		Tree Ferns, including genera	
Matteuccia Struthiopteris (Ostrich Fern)		• Cibotium	
Nephrolepis cordifolia (Sword Fern)		• Cyathea	
Onoclea sensibilis (Sensitive Fern)		• Dicksonia antarctica (Tasmanian Tree Fern)	
Osmunda (Flowering Fern)		Woodwardia (Chain Fern), including	
Osmunda cinnamomea (Cinnamon Fern)		• Woodwardia areolata (Narrow-leaved Chain Fern)	
Osmunda regalis (Royal Fern)		• Woodwardia virginica (Virginia Chain Fern)	
Platycerium bifurcatum (Staghorn Fern)		• Woodwardia fimbriata	
Polypodium vulgare (Licorice Fern)			
Polypodium virginianum (Licorice Fern)			
Polypodium glycyrrhiza (Licorice Fern)			

GRASSES

Acorus gramineus (Japanese Sweet Flag)	(2)	Helictotrichon sempervirens (Blue Oat Grass)	(2)
Alopecurus pratensis (Meadow Foxtail)	(2)	Holcus mollis (Variegated Velvet Grass)	(2)
Arrhenatherum elatius bulbosum (Bulbous Oat Grass)	(2)	Luzula nivea (Snowy Wood Rush)	(2-1)
Arundinaria pygmaea (Pygmy Bamboo)	(2)	Luzula sylvatica (Greater Wood Rush)	(2-1)
Arundinaria viridistriata (Running Bamboo)	(2)	Milium effusum (Golden Grass)	(2)
Bambus glaucescens (Hedge Bamboo)	(2)	Miscanthus floridulus (Giant Miscanthus)	(2)
Carex conica (Miniature Sedge)	(2-3)	Miscanthus sacchariflorus (Eulalia Grass)	(2)
Carex elata 'aurea'	(2-3)	Miscanthus sinensis (Maiden Grass)	(2)
Carex grayi (Gray's Sedge)	(2)	Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Nigrescens' (Black Mondo Grass)	(2-3)
Carex pendula (Drooping Sedge)	(2)	Phalaris arundinacea picta (Ribbon Grass)	(2-3)
Chasmanthium latifolium (Northern Sea Oats)	(2)	Sasa palmata (Palm Leaf Bamboo)	(2)
Cyperus alternifolius (Umbrella Plant)	(2)	Sasa veitchii (Kuma Bamboo)	(2)
Cyperus papyrus (Paper Plant)	(2)	Spartina pectinata (Prairie Cord Grass)	(2)
Deschampsia caespitosa (Tufted Hair Grass)	(2)	Spodiopogon sibericus (Silver Spike Grass)	(2)
Hakonechloa macra, including	(2)		
• H. macra aureola (Golden Variegated Hakonechloa)	(2 - 1)		

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GROUND COVERS & VINES

Aegopodium Podagraria (Goutweed)	(1-2)	Lamium maculatum (Spotted Dead Nettle)	(1-3)
Akebia quinata (Chocolate Vine)	(2)	Linnaea borealis (Twinflower)	(2-1)
Ajuga pyramidalis and A. reptans	(2-3)	Liriope muscari (Lilyturf)	(2)
Ardisia japonica (Marlberry)	(2-1)	Lysimachia Nummularia (Creeping Jennie)	(2)
Arenaria verna (Irish or Scotch Moss)	(2-3)	Mitchella repens (Partridgeberry)	(2-1)
Asarum (Wild Ginger), including	(1-2)	Omphalodes, including	(2)
• Asarum canadense (Canadian Ginger)		• Omphalodes cappadocica	
• Asarum delavayi (Chinese Wild Ginger)		• Omphalodes verna (Blue-eyed Mary)	
• Asarum europaeum (European Wild Ginger)		Oxalis magellanica	(2-1)
• Asarum shuttleworthii (Shuttleworth Ginger)		Oxalis oregano (Redwood Sorrel)	(2-1)
Bergenia cordifolia (Heartleaf Bergenia; Pig squeak)	(2-1)	Pachysandra terminalis (Spurge)	(1-2)
Clematis, including	(2-3)	Parthenocissus quinquefolia (Virginia Creeper)	(2)
• Clematis armandii (Evergreen Clematis)		Parthenocissus tricuspidata (Boston Ivy)	(2)
• Clematis Montana (Anemone Clematis)		Placranthus australis (Swedish Ivy)	(2)
• Clematis x jackmanii (Jackmanii Clematis)		Pulmonaria (Lungwort), including	(2)
Convallaria majalis (Lily of the Valley)	(1-2)	• Pulmonaria saccharanta	
Cornus Canadensis (Bunchberry, Creeping Dogwood)	(2)	• Pulmonaria longifolia	
Cymbalaria, including	(2-1)	Ranunculus repens (Creeping Buttercup)	(2-3)
• Cymbalaria aequitrilobia		Rubus calycinioides (Creeping Raspberry)	(2-3)
• Cymbalaria hepaticifolia		Sanguinaria canadensis (Bloodroot)	(2)
• Cymbalaria muralis (Kenilworth Ivy)		Saxifraga	(2)
Duchesnea indica (Indian Strawberry)	(2)	Sedum, including	(2)
Epimedium, including	(2-1)	• Sedum mexicanum	
• Epimedium grandiflorum		• Sedum rupestre	
• Epimedium Perralderianum		• Sedum spurium	
• Epimedium x rubrum		Selaginella Kraussiana (Trailing Selaginella)	(2-1)
• Epimedium x versicolor		Soleirolia Soleirolii (Baby's or Angel's Tears)	(2-1)
• Epimedium Warleyense		Vaccinium Vitis-idaea (Lingonberry)	(2)
• Epimedium x Youngianum		Vancouveria (Inside Out Flower), including	(2-1)
Euonymus Fortunei (Winter Creeper)	(2-1)	• Vancouveria chrysantha	
Ficus pumila (Creeping Fig)	(1)	• Vancouveria hexandra	
Galax urceolata (Wand flower)	(2-1)	• Vancouveria planipetala	
Galium odoratum (Sweet Woodruff)	(1-2)	Veronica, including	(2)
Gaultheria, including	(2-1)	• Veronica filiformis	
• Gaultheria cuneata (Himalayan)		• Veronica prostrate	
• Gaultheria procumbens (Wintergreen)		• Veronica repens	
Geranium macrorrhizum	(2)	Vinca major (Large Leaf Periwinkle)	(2-1)
Glechoma hederacea (Ground Ivy)	(2-1)	Vinca minor (Common or Lesser Periwinkle, Myrtle)	(2-1)
Hedera (Ivy), including	(1-2)	Viola, including	(2)
• Hedera canariensis (Algerian Ivy)		• Viola labradorica (Labrador Violet)	
• Hedera colchica (Colchis Ivy)		• Viola odorata (Sweet Violet)	
• Hedera Helix (English Ivy) — various varieties		• Viola rupestris	
Hydrangea anomala petiolaris (Climbing Hydrangea)	(2-1)	• Viola septentrionalis (Northern Blue Violet)	
		Waldsteinia (Barren Strawberry)	(2)

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Acanthus mollis or A. spinosus (Bear's Breeches)	(2 or 3)	• Carex flagelliformis	
Aglaonema (Chinese Evergreen)	(2)	• Carex morrowii 'variegata aurea'	
Alchemilla vulgaris or A. mollis (Lady's Mantle)	(2-3)	• Carex pendula	
Anemone x hybrida (Japanese Anemone)	(2-3)	• Carex trifida	
Aneomne racemosa (European Wood Anemone)	(2)	Ceratostigma plumbadinoides (Leadwort)	(2)
Anemone sylvestris (Snowdrop Anemone)	(2)	Chlorophytum comosum vittatum (Spider Plant)	(2)
Angelica pachycarpa	(2 or 3)	Cimicifuga racemosa (bugbane)	(2-3)
Aquilegia (Columbine)	(2-3)	Clintonia andrewsiana	(2)
Arisaema (Jack in the Pulpit), including	(1-2)	Colchicum autumnale (Autumn Crocus)	(2-1)
• Arisaema ringens (Japanese Cobra Lily)		Corydalis (all varieties), including C. 'Blue Panda'	(2)
• Arisaema sikokianum (Japanese Jack in the Pulpit)		Cyclamen (all varieties and species)	(2-1)
• Arisaema speciosum		Darmera (Umbrella Plant)	(2-3)
• Arisaema triphyllum (Jack in the Pulpit)		Dicentra (Bleeding Heart), including	(1-3)
Arisarum proboscideum (Mouse Tail Plant)	(2-1)	• Dicentra eximia (Wild Bleeding Heart)	
Artemesia latiflora	(1-2)	• Dicentra formosa (Western Bleeding Heart)	
Arum italicum (Italian Arum)	(2)	• Dicentra spectabilis	
Arum maculatum (Lords and Ladies)	(2)	• Dicentra 'King of Hearts'	
Aruncus dioicus (Goatsbeard)	(2-3)	Dieffenbachia (all varieties)	(2)
Aspidistra lurida	(2)	Digitalis purpurea (Foxglove)	(2)
Astilbe, including	(2-3)	Disporum (Fairy Bells)	(2-1)
• Astilbe chinensis 'Pumila'		Dodecatheon (Shooting Star)	(2)
• Astilbe glaberrima 'Saxatilis'		Doronicum caucasicum (Leopard's-Bane)	(2)
• Astilbe simplicifolia (Dwarf Astilbe)		Dracaena (all varieties)	(2-1)
• Astilbe x arendsii (Hybrid Astilbe)		Epimedium grandiflorum (Bishop's Hat)	(2)
Astrantia, including	(2-3)	Epipactis gigantea (Giant Stream Orchid)	(1-3)
• Astrantia major (Masterwort)		Erythronium	(2)
Begonia, including	(2)	Eupatorium, including	(2)
• Rex begonias		• Eupatorium ageratoides (White Snakeroot)	
• Rhizomatous begonias		• Eupatorium purpureum (Joe-Pye Weed)	
• Tuberous begonias		Euphorbia (Spurge), including	(2-3)
• Begonia grandis (Hardy Begonia)		• Euphorbia pulcherrima (Poinsettia)	
Bletilla striata (Chinese Ground Orchid)	(2)	• Euphorbia cyparisseas	
Boykinia (all varieties)	(2-1)	• Euphorbia rigida	
Brunnera macrophylla (Siberian Bugloss)	(2)	• Euphorbia Robbiae	
Bulbs, including	(2-3)	• Euphorbia Sibthorpii	
• Anemones		• Euphorbia characias Wulfenii	
• Camassia		Filipendula (Meadowsweet), including	(2)
• Eranthis		• Filipendula hexapetala	
• Galatus (Snowdrops)		• Filipendula palmata	
• Hyacinth (dwarf varieties)		• Filipendula purpurea	
• Hyacinth amethystinus		• Filipendula rubra	
• Hyacinth ciliatur		• Filipendula ulmaria	
• Iris (see below)		• Filipendula vulgaris	
• Leucojum (Snowflakes)		Fittonia (all varieties)	(2)
• Muscari		Fuchsia, including all hybrids and varieties	(1-3)
• Nomocharis (Butterfly Lily)		Geranium, including	(2)
• Scilla campanulata		• Geranium ibericum	
Caladium	(2)	• Geranium 'Johnson's Blue'	
Caltha palustris (Marsh Marigold)	(2)	• Geranium phaeum	
Campanula (Bellflower), including	(2)	• Geranium sanguineum (Cranesbill Geranium)	
• Campanula cephallenica		• Geranium maculatum	
• Campanula lactiflora		Gloxinia (all varieties)	(2)
• Campanula persicifolia (Willow Bellflower)		Hacquetia epipactis	(2-1)
• Campanula poscharskyana (Serbian Bellflower)		Helleborus (Hellebore), including	(2-3 or 1)
• Campanula portenschlagiana		• Helleborus foetidus (Stinking Hellebore)	
• Campanula rapunculoides (Rover Bellflower)		• Helleborus lividus subsc. Corsicus	
Carex (Sedge), including	(2)	• Helleborus niger (Christmas Rose)	
• Carex comans		• Helleborus orientalis (Lenten Rose)	
• Carex conica 'variegata'		Hepatica americana nobilis	(2-1)
		Heuchera (Coral bells) including all varieties	(2-3)

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PERENNIALS (cont'd)

Heucherella; cross between Heuchera and Tiarella	(2-3)	Rheum rhaponticum (Rhubarb)	(2-3)
Hosta (Plantain Lily), including all varieties, such as	(2)	Rhodea japonica (Nippon Lily)	(2-3)
• Bressingham Blue		Rodgersia aesculifolia (Fingerleaf Rodgersia)	(2-3)
• Great Expectations		Rodgersia pinnata (Featherleaf Rodgersia)	(2-3)
• Sagae		Rodgersia podophylla (Bronzeleaf Rodgersia)	(2-3)
• Sum and Substance		Rohdea japonica (Sacred Lily)	(2-3)
Iberis sempervirens (Evergreen Candytuft)	(2 or 3)	Saintpaulia (African violets)	(2-3)
Iris, including	(2-3)	Sansevieria (Snakeskin Plant)	(2-3)
• Crested Iris		Scindapsus (Pothos) (all varieties)	(2)
Iris japonica		Shortia galacifolia (Oconee Bells)	(2)
Iris gracilipes		Smilacina racemosa (False Solomon's Seal)	(2)
Iris cristata		Spathiphyllum (Peace Lily) (all varieties)	(2)
• Native West Coast irises		Streptocarpus and Streptocarpella	(2-1)
Iris Douglasiana		Streptopus lanceolatus (Twisted Stalk)	(2)
Iris Innominata		Stylophorum diphyllum (Celandine Poppy)	(2)
• Iris foetidissima (Gladwyn)		Symphytum (Camfrey)	(2)
• Iris orientalis		Syngonium podophyllum (Arrowhead Vine)	(2)
• Iris Pseudacorus (Yellow Flag)		Thalictrum (Meadow Rue)	(2)
• Iris siberica (Siberian Iris)		Tiarella, including	(2-1)
Jeffersonia (Twin Leaf), including	(2-1)	• Tiarella cordifolia (Foamflower)	
• Jeffersonia diphylla		• Tiarella liciniata	
• Jeffersonia dubia		• Tiarella trifoliata	
Kirengeshoma palmata (Yellow Waxbells)	(2-3)	• Tiarella unifoliata (Sugar Scoop)	(2)
Ligularia, including	(2)	Tolmiea Menziesii (Piggyback Plant)	(2)
• Ligularia dentata		Tovara virginiana (Virginia Knotweed)	(2)
• Ligularia stenocephala (Rocket and Little Rocket)		Tradescantia virginiana (Spiderwort)	(2)
Meconopsis, including	(2)	Tricyrtis hirta (Toad Lily)	(2)
• Meconopsis betonicifolia (Blue Poppy)		Trillium, including	(2-1)
• Meconopsis cambrica (Welsh Poppy)		• Trillium erectum (Purple Trillium)	
• Meconopsis grandis		• Trillium cernuum (Nodding Trillium)	
• Meconopsis sarsonsii		• Trillium grandiflorum	
Mertensia virginica (Virginia Bluebells)	(2-1)	• Trillium sessile	
Monarda didyma (Bee Balm)	(2-3)	• Trillium undulatum	
Mukdenia rossii	(2-1)	• Trillium Catesbaie	(2-3)
Paris polyphylla	(2)	Trollius (Globeflower)	(2-3)
Peltiphyllum peltatum (Umbrella Plant)	(2)	Uvularia grandiflora (Merrybells)	(2)
Persicaria microcephala (Knotweed)	(3-2)	Veratrum viride (American White Hellebore)	(2-1)
Petasites japonicus	(2)	Vernonia (Ironweed)	(3-2)
Petasites speciosus (Coltsfoot)	(2)	Zantedeschia aethiopica (Calla Lily)	(2-3)
Phalaenopsis (Moth Orchid), including all varieties	(2)	Zygopetalum (Ladybird Orchid)	(2-1)
Philodendrons (all varieties)	(2)		
Podophyllum peltatum (May Apple)	(2)		
Polemonium caeruleum (Jacob's Ladder)	(2)		
Polygonatum odoratum (Solomon's Seal)	(2)		
Primula (Primrose), including	(2)		
• Primula Auricula (Auricula)			
• Primula Beesiana (Candelabra primrose)			
• Primula florindae			
• Primula Juhiae			
• Primula x polyantha (Polyanthus)			
• Primula sieboldii			
• Primula vulgaris (English Primrose)			

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SHRUBS/BUSHES

Amelanchier species (Serviceberry)	(2)	Ilex (Holly), including	(2)
Andromeda polifolia (Bog Rosemary)	(2)	• Ilex aquifolium (English Holly)	
Aronia melanocarpa (Black Chokeberry)	(2-3)	• Ilex opaca (American Holly)	
Aucuba japonica (Japanese Laurel)	(2-1)	Kalmia latifolia (Mountain Laurel)	(2-1)
Azalea species	(2)	Kerria japonica	(2-3)
Bamboo species	(2)	Kolkwitzia amabilis (Beauty Bush)	(3-2)
Berberis species (Barberry)	(2)	Leucothoe axillaris	(2-1)
Buxus (Boxwood) — English, Japanese, Korean	(2)	Leucothoe Fontanesiana	(2-1)
Callicarpa bodinieri (Beautyberry)	(2)	Loropetalum chinense 'Razzleberri'	(2-3)
Calycanthus floridus (Carolina Allspice)	(2)	Magnolia soulongiana	(2)
Camellia japonica (Common Camellia), including	(2)	Magnolia stellata	(2)
• Camellia Sasanqua (Sasanqua Camellia)		Mahonia Aquifolium (Oregon Grape), including	(2-1)
• Camellia sinensis (Tea Camellia)		• Mahonia bealei	
Carpenteria californica (Bush or Tree Anemone)	(2-3)	• Mahonia nervosa (Low Oregon Grape)	
Cornus (Dogwood), including	(2)	Nandina domestica (Heavenly Bamboo)	(2)
• Cornus kousa (Japanese Dogwood)		Osmanthus	(2)
• Cornus mas (Cornelian Cherry)		Philadelphus coronarius (Mock Orange)	(2-3)
• Cornus racemosa (Grey Dogwood)		Pieris, including	(2-1)
Corylopsis pauciflora (Buttercup Winterhazel)	(2)	• Pieris floribunda (Fetterbush)	
Cotoneaster divaricatus	(2)	• Pieris Forrestii (Burmese)	
Daboecia (Irish Heath)	(2-3)	• Pieris japonica (Lily of the Valley Shrub)	
Danae racemosa (Poet's Laurel)	(3-1)	Pittosporum Tobira (Mock Orange)	(2-1)
Daphne, including	(2-3)	Prunus Laurocerasus (English Laurel), including	(2)
• Daphne Enkianthus (Japanese Daphne)		• Prunus Laurocerasus 'Zabeliana'	
• Daphne Laureola (Spurge Laurel)		• Prunus Laurocerasus 'Mt. Vernon'	
• Daphne mezereum		Rhododendron species	(2)
• Daphne odora (Winter Daphne)		Ribes alpinum (Alpine Currant)	(2)
Epigaea repens (Trailing Arbutus)	(2-1)	Ribes sanguineum	(2)
Euonymus japonica (Euonymus)	(2)	Rubus parviflorus (Thimble Berry)	(2-1 or 3)
Eurya emarginata	(2)	Ruscus aculeatus (Butcher's Broom)	(1-2)
Fatsia japonica (Japanese Fatsia)	(1)	Ruta graveolens (Common Rue)	(2-3)
Fothergilla (Witch Alder)	(2)	Sambucus canadensis (Elderberry)	(3-2)
Fuchsia, including all hybridized varieties and	(2)	Sarcococca, including	(2-1)
• Fuchsia magellanica (hardy)		• Sarcococca confusa (Fragrant Sweet Box)	
• Fuchsia encliandra (hardy)		• Sarcococca ruscifolia	
Gaultheria Shallon (Salal), including	(2)	Skimmia japonica	(2-1)
• Gaultheria sinensis		Spirea x vanhouttei (Spirea)	(3-2)
• Gaultheria trichophylla		Symphoricarpos (Snowberry)	(2)
Hamamelis, including	(2-1)	Taxus (Yew)	(2-1)
• Hamamelis molhis (Chinese Witch Hazel)		Trochdendron aralioides (Wheel Tree)	(3 or 2)
• Hamamelis x intermedia (Hybrid Witch Hazel)		Vaccinium, including	(2)
• Hamamelis virginiana (Common Witch Hazel)		• Vaccinium corymbosum (Highbush Blueberry)	
Hydrangea, including	(2-1)	• Vaccinium ovatum (Evergreen Huckleberry)	
• Hydrangea macrophyllia (Garden Hydrangea)		• Vaccinium parvifolium (Red Huckleberry)	
• Hydrangea quercifolia (Oakleaf Hydrangea)		Viburnum x carlcephalum, including	(2)
• Lacecap Hydrangea		• Viburnum Davidii	
		• Viburnum rhytidophyllum	
		Weigela florida	(3-2)